

REMARKS

The above-identified patent application has been amended and Applicants respectfully request consideration and examination of the claims, as amended.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.121(c), a clean version of the entire set of pending claims is provided hereinabove. The specification has been amended to refer to parent application no. 10/162,377 in the Cross-Reference to Related Applications section.


Claims 1-27 and 36-41 have been canceled, claims 28-35 are pending and claims 42-55 have been added. Consideration of the amended claims is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner has any questions concerning this amendment or this application, he is respectfully invited and encouraged to contact the undersigning attorney.

The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 500845.

Respectfully submitted,

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